

State Board of Education Request For Freeway School Accreditation

Name of Requesting School:	Covenant Christian High School
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Board Presentation Date:	January 9, 2008	Grade Span:	9-12
Principal:	Mr. Brian Hudson	Public or Private:	Private
Location Address:	7525 West 21 st	Enrollment:	378
City/Town:	Indianapolis	Targeted Student Population:	Central Indiana

Indiana Department of Education Division of Accreditation, Assistance, and Awards

The following executive summary has been compiled by the **Division of Accreditation, Assistance, and Awards** for use by the Indiana State Board of Education. It includes information presented by the school during the accreditation process, potential legal standard issues, and any other information collected during the process that may impact on accreditation.

Summary of Materials Presented to the Board:

1. "Covenant Christian High School is a private, non-denominational Christian school." The school opened in 1995. "The mission of Covenant Christian High School is to provide an excellent Christ-centered education, equipping students for a life of scholarship, leadership and service." Covenant Christian High School became accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International in 2002.

2. **Attendance-** The attendance rate for the past five years has been 96% or better.

3. **Graduation-** The graduation rate has consistently stayed above 90%.

4. **Benchmarks-**

ISTEP+
PSAT, SAT
ACT
AP exams

5. **Staffing-** "Our teachers hold the appropriate state certification for their teaching areas, and we aggressively seek the best and brightest we can find."

Waiver Requests:

1. Instructional time- (511 IAC 6.1-3-4) "Calvary Christian High School operates on an eight-period academic day with forty-five minute periods. Each student has study time with individual teachers for extra guidance and help."
2. Textbook adoption- (IC 20-26-12-24, IC 20-26-12-28 and 511 IAC 6.1-5-5) "We have and will continue to select texts from both secular and Christian publishers trying in each instance to obtain the very best material available and remain consistent with our worldview."

Possible Issue- none

Recommendation: Five year accreditation

Rationale: After a site visit, talks with the administration, and a review of the petition we recommend full five-year accreditation.